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Willow Beach National Fish Hatchery Stocking Rainbow Trout at Davis Dam and Rotary Park

This week, staff at Willow Beach National Fish Hatchery (hatchery) have begun stocking 20,000 rainbow trout into the tailwaters of Davis Dam and Rotary Park, both located in Bullhead, AZ, on October 1, 4, 8 and 15. The fish were donated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department, and were reared at the hatchery until they were of catchable size.

The Willow Beach National Fish Hatchery has dealt with numerous setbacks since last August and then again in November when problems with their main production water pumps caused a massive die off at the facility. A plan is currently being developed to help avoid similar problems in the future.

The trout which are being stocked arrived at the hatchery around four to eight inches in length, are now between ten and 14 inches, and ready for anglers. Thanks to hatchery staff and their partners, local anglers and community members can look forward to fishing season this fall.

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